

memorandum

DATE: August 22, 2000

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Office of Environmental Policy and Guidance (EH-413): Coalgate:6-6075

SUBJECT: EPA Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: *Amendments to the Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU) Regulations*

TO: Distribution

Purpose of This Memo

[1] To advise DOE elements of a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) published in the *Federal Register* by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (65 FR 51080; August 22, 2000), amending the *Corrective Action Management Units and Temporary Units: Corrective Action Provisions; Final Rule* (58 FR 8658; February 16, 1993).

[2] To request that DOE elements review and provide comments in response to this NPRM.

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The NPRM is intended to make the CAMU designation process more consistent and predictable. The following are the primary changes proposed in the NPRM to existing CAMU standards.

- Clarification of the types of wastes that may be managed in a CAMU (industrial process and cleanup wastes).
- Modification of the CAMU design (performance) standards for caps and liners.
- Establishment of treatment requirements for wastes placed in CAMUs for *permanent* disposal (inimum treatment standards, or site-specific adjusted standards).
- Modification of CAMU application requirements.
- Establishment of CAMU design/operation requirements for treatment and/or storage of cleanup wastes (as opposed to permanent disposal).
- Provisions for “grandfathering” existing and substantially approved CAMUs.

Availability

The NPRM can be accessed at:

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2000_register&docid=00-20534-filed.pdf

A fact sheet on the CAMU proposed rule is available for viewing on the EPA corrective action website at:

<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/ca/resource/guidance/remwaste/camu/index.htm>

**Action
Items**

DOE elements are requested to provide their comments to the Office of Environmental Policy and Guidance (EH-413) on or before **COB Monday, October 2, 2000**.

- In providing your input, please refer (i.e., page, column, section/paragraph, etc.) to the specific sections of the NPRM to which each comment pertains.
- Individual comments, should be preceded by appropriate text, which the comment is addressing, taken directly from the Notice.
- Input may be submitted (with a signed, hard copy to follow) to:

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Contact

If you have questions regarding the NPRM or this request for comments, please contact Jerry Coalgate at (202) 586-6075.



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